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JUAREZ COMMANDER JOINS CARRANZA

British House Votes Increase In Army

ONE MILLION PAPER PAISES U. S. ARMY

MENT TO BE ENLISTED

Paper Strength Of British Army Is Now 4,000,000; Many Changes Made.

VOTE MARKS END OF LONG DEBATE

Members Of Parliament Snore Loudly As Speakers Talk On Measure.

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 22.—After an all night debate the house of commons today granted an increase of 1,000,000 men in the British army, bringing up its strength on paper to 4,000,000. With the increase come changes in higher command, Lieut. Gen. Robertson, chief of the general staff, having been recalled from France to become chief of the imperial staff in London in place of Lieut. Gen. Murray, who is about to receive an important command.

During the long hours of the night, many members of parliament snored loudly while speakers favored or opposed the increase in the army. Opponents contended the proposed increase would merely add to the misfortune of war already encountered and increase taxes at the same time. Representatives of the government declared the increase was absolutely necessary.

Lieut. Gen. Sir Archibald Murray has been appointed to succeed Sir Charles Monro, as British commander-in-chief in the east, an official statement issued this afternoon.

Sir Charles Monro has been appointed in command of the first British army in France in succession to Sir Douglas Haig.

Tensions Work on Greece, Rumania. The tensions powers are represented as taking full advantage of the moral effect produced by the withdrawal of the British forces from Gallipoli peninsula and to be attempting once more to swing Greece and Rumania to their side in the Balkan operations. If reports are correct, Russia is losing no time in attempting to forestall these efforts.

German Loss Heavily. Along the western line, according to British official reports, the Germans suffered heavy losses while expending their forces in an attempt to occupy eastern France, their lines had opened.

The French, for the purpose of finding a basis for establishing closer economic relations between the allied empires. Although several meetings have already taken place no definite results have yet been obtained. The industrial and commercial interests of the two countries are so divergent that it is difficult to see how an understanding can be reached, which will prove satisfactory to both sides. And far every conference seems only to have discovered new troubles in the way of reaching an agreement.

Anglo-Rumanian fear, that just as at present they are under the domination of Germany in military affairs, so later their financial and economic independence will also be lost before the persistent and powerful monarch of Germany. The whole question is one of the most vital importance for the future welfare of the dual monarchy, and excites far more interest in the business community than the progress of the war.

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Will Direct Band For Christmas Music



MAX MILLER, Chief musician of the sixth infantry and conductor of the band which will play for the Christmas Eve festival in Pioneer plaza, Friday evening.

The War At a Glance

AFTER the French had made an important gain in the Vosges region, capturing the summit of Hartmann-Weserkopf, the Germans, according to Berlin, regained a portion of the lost positions. Twelve hundred Germans were captured in the French drive. Paris claims that the weather is interfering with operations.

Austrian Submarine Captured.—A roundabout report from Malta is to the effect that an Austrian submarine had been captured by two torpedo boats, presumably Italian.

Japanese Ship Sunk.—The Japanese steamer Saka Maru is reported to have been sunk in the eastern Mediterranean by a submarine.

Conqueror of Liege Dies.—The conqueror of Liege, the conqueror of Liege, is announced in Berlin.

Second Ancona Note Delivered.—The second American note to Austria-Hungary on the Ancona case has been delivered, a dispatch from Vienna states.

Bombard to Destroy Stores.—The Turkish official report declares the allied fleet unsuccessfully attempted to destroy the stores which the British left behind them in their evacuation of the Syria and Anzac zones on the Gallipoli peninsula.

Berlin has Constantinople advice reiterating that the withdrawal from Gallipoli was disorderly and unsystematic.

Notes For 1,000,000 More Men.—The British house of commons after an all-night debate approved the government's demand for 1,000,000 additional men for the army.

From German sources came statements that nearly all the P. 100 troops have been withdrawn from the Aegean islands of a brood, Lemnos and Tenedos, their destination being Salonika.

GERMAN POWDER DEPOTS WRECKED. London, Eng., Dec. 22.—According to advices to the Amsterdam Telegraph, forwarded by Reuters correspondent, a powder factor and several ammunition depots at Metzger, Westphalia have been blown up. Great damage was done to the town, the newspaper adds.

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SEMI-MONTHLY PAY IS DELETED

Attorney General Says Law Applies to All Employees of Firms Affected.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 22.—The attorney general's department today held in an opinion to commissioner of labor Woodman, that the act of the 24th legislature, known as the "semi-monthly payroll law," applies to all employees of the person, firm or corporation therein enumerated, whether such employment be by the hour, day, week, month or year.

The fact that the law places the enforcement of the act under the direction of the commissioner of labor does not confine its limitations, the opinion says.

President's Wife Sues "Bull" Andrews For \$80 In a New Mexico Court

Albuquerque, N. M., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson is suing W. H. ("Bull") Andrews, former delegate from New Mexico to congress, in the 12th district court here today.

The suit was filed by W. Moore Clayton, attorney for Galt & Co., jewelers, in Washington, of which the former Mrs. Edith B. Galt is the principal owner.

The suit asks for judgment for \$80 on an alleged promissory note.

INJUNCTION PAPERS SERVED ON CLIFTON STRIKE LEADERS. Clifton, Ariz., Dec. 22.—United States marshal Joe Dillon is in the district serving injunction papers on union officials and strike leaders. The United States district court at Tucson granted an injunction against the union and leaders of the strike, restraining them from interfering with operations work on underground mines of the American Copper company.

The Western Federation of Miners at Morenci, Clifton and Matamor, the following individuals were named as defendants: A. Y. Smith, M. Lucero, Frank Arriola, Fabian Serra, Guillermo Delara, Abram Ries, Manuel Gomez, Lorenzo Navarro, Jose Carranza, Jose Guerrero, Jose Guadalupe, Louis Guadalupe, Jose Herrera, Aurelio Valdez, John Chappellier, John O'Brien, Antonio Gale, Rethazar Chales, J. A. Ortiz, Ralph Cunningham, Yelido Larea.

WOULD PLACE 400 MEN IN MINE STRIKE DISTRICT. Tucson, Ariz., Dec. 22.—The district company needs to place 400 men in the Clifton-Morenci district to do the assessment work on its claims, according to the implications which have been filed in the federal court here for an injunction restraining the Western Federation of Miners from interfering with the work of the company.

The company says it now has the requisite number of men available for the work if they shall be adequately supplied. The application for the injunction is to be heard by federal Judge W. H. Sawtelle Friday.

MILITIA CAN'T GET MORE SUPPLIES UNTIL BILLS PAID. Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 22.—Adj. Gen. C. W. Harris has been notified that copper company stores at Clifton will not furnish supplies to the state militia on duty there until current bills are paid.

Militia funds have been tied up in the state general appropriation bill, which failed of passage by the last legislature.

COL. HOUSE IS GOING TO EUROPE AS WILSON'S ENVOY. Hot Springs, Va., Dec. 22.—President Wilson said today that the forthcoming European trip of his friend, Col. E. M. House, was in no way connected with the peace movement, but was entirely an outgrowth of his mission in his statement issued Tuesday night in New York.

The colonel said his mission was to communicate to American ambassadors in person for the president certain information that the ambassadors might more intimately understand the attitude of the United States towards certain phases of the situation. Further than to say Col. House had stated the object of his mission exactly, the president refused to comment.

STRIPLING MAY NOT GET HIS CHRISTMAS PARDON. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 22.—Thomas Edgar Stripling, who was sentenced to life imprisonment in 1907, escaped from jail and during his 14 years of freedom became chief of police of Danville, Va. probably will not receive his expected Christmas pardon from Gov. Harris. He has been in prison in Georgia since his identity was discovered in 1911.

Gov. Harris said last July that he would free Stripling and intimate he would do it before this Christmas. Records in the case are in the hands of the prison commissioner and have not been turned over to Gov. Harris.

MEMBER OF FORD PARTY DIES; FORD HIMSELF IS IMPROVING

Christiania, Norway, Dec. 22.—Lloyd Bingham, a member of the Ford party, died today of pneumonia. He was the husband of Anella Bingham, the American actress.

Henry Ford, who is greatly improved from his indisposition, said the peace expedition will depart for Stockholm Thursday morning. Mr. Ford said he was much gratified with the reception of his party in Norway.

A donation of \$10,000 has been made by Mr. Ford to the Christiana Students' society for a new building.

GERMAN ATTEMPT SAILS FROM NEW YORK

Despite Recall, Capt. von Papen Entertains No Bitterness, He Asserts.

HE HOPES TO BE SENT TO TRENCHES

Says Efforts To Embroider Germany and U. S. in War Are Doomed to Failure.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Capt. Franz von Papen, Germany's recalled military attaché from New York for Rotterdam, Holland, today on the steamship Noordam, bearing a safe conduct to Germany from the entente allies, declaring he hoped this final statement to the American people:

"In leaving this country, where I have received so many proofs of kindness and hospitality from Americans and others, I deem it my duty to thank all those who did not permit their friendly personal feelings to be poisoned by the war among the nations."

"My thoughts turn back expressly to those unforgettable days when I had the honor and good fortune to spend some time with the expeditionary force at Veracruz, where I learned to admire the splendid soldierly qualities and devotion to duty of the United States army."

Glad to be Called Home. "Personally speaking, no greater satisfaction could be given to me than to be called home to my native land. I am far more urgently needed than here."

"I leave my post without any feeling of bitterness, but I know too well that when history is once written it will establish our clean records despite all the misrepresentation and calumnies spread abroad at present."

Their Honor Not Involved. "The New York World, which certainly is not open to the suspicion of harboring friendly feelings for my country, stated very fairly, when discussing my recall: 'Now that the matter is settled the fact should be emphasized that the state department made no charges against Capt. von Papen and Capt. Boy-Ed, which reflected in the slightest degree on their honor as officers.' Certain newspapers have made reckless charges which could not be supported by evidence, but the United States government never initiated charges, and it believed these charges to be true."

To This I Have Nothing to Add. After all this war will not be won by the French or by their hypocritical supporters. It will be decided by the success of the invincible German arms."

No War With U. S. "I go home with the unshakable conviction that no efforts, however resistant they may be, will accomplish the desire of our enemy to embroil our country with this great nation. Our neutral relations will, and must, on the contrary, inevitably be graded, improve as it becomes clear to every intelligent and clear minded American that Germany is engaged in a fully justifiable and heroic fight for her existence and the very life of the nation."

I wish to assure all that I feel most grateful to the great number of German-Americans in this country for their support and sympathy.

Wants to Go to Trenches. "I have been charged with lots of things, but, when this war is over you will see and everything will come out all right, I am sure. I have been here for my country and I tried to serve it, but I have not done anything against my country and I have no regrets, feeling grateful that I can at least be among the real action in the trenches."

Contributions For The Playhouse Fund

All the money collected by the Salvation army in its keftles about the streets on Friday will be given to the Rescue Home Work. Anyone wishing to aid in this work can do so by making contributions on Friday.

Contributions to the fund to build a playhouse, purchase shoes and buy sweaters and caps for the little American boys and girls in the Rescue Home—El Paso's only orphanage—totalled \$12 this morning. From this \$55 have been spent for sweaters and caps. About \$25 will be spent for shoes for 12 of the children. The remaining \$30 left to apply on the playhouse and kindergarten, which will cost about \$200.

Contributions today were: A teacher, \$1.00. Mrs. T. C. Livingston, a big home-made cake. Mrs. William Fishman, five dozen home-made cookies. The American actress, a book of fairy stories by "a friend."

Anonymous contributor, a complete suit of boys' clothes, including a hat and a box of handkerchiefs. Mrs. J. B. Tuttle, box of clothing, a rocking horse, an express wagon, a swing and a number of other toys. Fred J. Feldman Co., blue prints of the playhouse plans.

U. S. TELLS VILLA AMERICAN PRISONERS MUST BE RELEASED

Freedom for Madera Company Employees Held by Villa Is Exacted From Him If He Is to Be Given Safe Refuge in United States—Washington Believes Carranza Faction Will Be Able Hold Juarez

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—The release of the 20 Americans detained at Chihuahua by Gen. Villa, it became known today, was a condition imposed upon Villa in granting him permission to cross the American boundary line. Advice that the Americans had been liberated strengthened the state department's belief that Villa intends to avail himself of the opportunity to escape from Mexico.

Nothing definite regarding Villa's whereabouts had been reported to the department today. Some uneasiness was manifested after receipt of advices that additional Villa troops were moving towards Juarez, but government officials felt that Juarez soon would be in Carranza's possession.

If there occurs no further hitch in the control of Juarez by the Carranza government troops, it is regarded as probable that Carranza will request and be given permission to move more troops across American territory to strengthen that garrison, permitting the mustering out of such of Villa's men as do not care to serve the government in its army.

RETURN DELIBERATE FIRE, ORDER TO PERSHING REGARDING JUAREZ

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—American troops at El Paso have been given orders to "return deliberately" any further deliberate firing from the Mexican side, the war department announced today.

Gen. John J. Pershing, in command at El Paso, has reported that the firing which resulted late yesterday in the death of an American car inspector, was the deliberate act of a squad of Mexicans who appeared half a mile east of the international bridge.

American troops, the report added, were covering the whole river front. During the rioting in Juarez, the report said, there had been little firing and none towards the American side.

Gen. Avila, who was in charge of the troops in Juarez, ordered several of the rioters shot, according to military reports.

A state department agent at El Paso reported that the American car inspector was shot by an irresponsible soldier, who was afterward killed by his own men.

GARCIA ANSWERS VILLA MASTER BANDITS KILLED

Says He Has Full Authority to Pardon, but Has No Amnesty for Lombardo.

"Although I am not accustomed to make declarations, I feel compelled to reply to the remarks of Miguel Diaz Lombardo that a false impression may not result from what he has said," declared Mexican consul Andres Garcia today.

"His bad faith is at once seen. He begins by censuring the exchequer of the Conventionist cause, who, demonstrating their patriotism, have recognized the legal government of Mexico. But the exminister, who so shortly ago professed the uselessness of further strife, now, when he is not the one to be annihilated, has called down anathemas upon those who have announced their allegiance to the government."

"At the same time, the exminister tries to sow the seeds of discord among the men who have recognized Gen. Carranza, saying that the pact signed with me does not contain the necessary surety, as I am not authorized to extend amnesty, and he cites besides the case of Lucio Blanco, who, after having received amnesty from Gen. Cepeda, was later arrested and is now imprisoned."

Lombardo's Pretension. "But Diaz Lombardo pretends not to know what is notorious in Saltillo—that Lucio Blanco, after accepting Carranza's amnesty, plotting with Emilio Gutierrez to return to the struggle, and when he did not succeed in that, he himself, took to the mountains in hostile attitude, by his own act entering again into rebellion. The exminister should remember that the pardon of today never extends to the acts of the future, and that, notwithstanding nothing about, new offences will be punished by a competent tribunal."

Has Full Power to Pardon. "Furthermore, I may say that in a few hours Gen. Obregon will be here, who knows all the details of this matter, and I will have him make those detailed statements."

OF NUMBER OF DICKENS. Boulder, Colo., Dec. 22.—Kendall C. Dickens entered a plea of not guilty today when arraigned in district court on a charge of murder in connection with the shooting of his brother, W. H. Dickens, at Longmont several weeks ago.

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COCHOA IS NAMED AS NEW CHIEF

Renounces Villa and Embraces the Cause of the De Facto Government.

CHIHUAHUA CITY TAKEN BY TREVINO

Carranza Commander and Force Now in State Capital—Obregon Coming.

JUAREZ was formally surrendered to the Carranza government Wednesday morning.

The city of Chihuahua fell into the hands of Gen. Jacinto Trevino Wednesday morning.

Gen. Alvaro Obregon, supreme commander of the Carranza military forces, is en route to El Paso from the west and will arrive at 10 o'clock tonight to take charge of the Juarez situation.

Gen. Francisco Villa is at Matamoros, west of Chihuahua, attempting to form a junction with Gen. Jose Rodriguez, a subordinate, who has retreated to Casas Grandes from Sonora.

Gen. Villa has been informed by the United States government that he can only receive asylum in the United States by releasing and delivering safe the 20 Americans arrested at Madera 10 days ago.

Gen. John J. Pershing, United States military commander at El Paso, has been instructed from Washington to return any deliberate fire from Juarez into El Paso. These instructions followed the killing of an American on El Paso soil by a bullet from Juarez Tuesday during the rioting.

Andres Garcia, Mexican consul in El Paso, replying to denunciations from Miguel Diaz Lombardo, former Villa foreign secretary, says he has the authority to extend amnesty, but not to "such traitors as Lombardo."

Traffic with Juarez, suspended during the rioting, has been resumed and the roads were run again today at Juarez.

This sums up the Mexican situation of the day.

Although surrendered on Monday, when Villa generals signed a peace pact, the Mexican constitution in El Paso, Juarez did not actually come into the Carranza fold until Wednesday, when its garrison commander for the first time embraced the cause and accepted appointment as commander of all the Carranza troops in the territory formerly controlled by his chief, Gen. Francisco Villa.

Surrender of Juarez. At a convention of the Villa generals to Juarez Wednesday morning, Gen. Manuel Ochoa was named as supreme commander of all Villa territory.

The peace agreement reached in El Paso was also ratified. It will take charge as the representative of the Carranza government, Gen. Yabel Robles may be governor general, while Gen. Ochoa will be commander of the troops.

According to Gen. Manuel Randa, has consented to this arrangement and will come to the United States at once, but not through the Juarez port.

Governor Fidel Avila and his brother, Gen. Esteban Avila, who were being held by Gen. Ochoa as prisoners pending the final agreement to the peace terms arranged by the Carranza officials on Wednesday morning upon Gen. Ochoa's signing the agreement and accepting the terms of peace which Avila initiated.

The convention of generals agreed to accept Carranza's Constitutional money in payment of the troops. Trevino Occupies Chihuahua. Gen. Jacinto Trevino with his command of Carranza troops arrived in Chihuahua city Wednesday morning, according to information received at the city.

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